

Committee of the Whole
Tuesday, April 9, 2024 7:00 PM Central

Lake Bluff School District Office
121 E Sheridan Place
Lake Bluff, IL 60044

Laura Breakstone:	Present
Amy Connell-Donohue:	Present
Andy Duran:	Present
Anne Hill:	Present
Lauren Hirsh:	Present
Tim Penich:	Present
Carrie Steinbach:	Present

1. 6:00 P.M. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

CLOSED SESSION a) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(1) b) Collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)

2. 7:00 P.M. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited.

4. MISSION, VISION, MOTTO:

MISSION: Ensure academic achievement and personal growth for all students through innovative and engaging educational opportunities.

VISION: An inclusive community of motivated learners who are inspired to change the world through exploration and collaboration.

MOTTO: Excellence in Education, Enthusiasm for Life, Every Student, Every Day.

Carrie Steinbach read the Mission, Vision and Motto.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT - Andy Duran

No public comment.

6. ADDITION OF DISCUSSION ITEM

No addition of discussion items.

7. DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION

7.A. Alliance Update - Michael Breakstone

Dr. Leali thanked the Alliance for partnering with the district to provide protective eyeglasses for the solar eclipse viewing. Michael Breakstone reported on the launch of the spring grant cycle. Teachers can submit applications at this time. Sunrise Rocks will take place on May 26 over Memorial weekend at Sunrise Park starting at 3pm with family activities. The Zach Porter Foundation is pairing with the Allilance to raise funds for Bluffers in Need (BIN).

7.B. Food Service - Jay Kahn

Jay Kahn reported that we are putting together a committee to work on food service for the coming year.

7.C. New Maintenance Vehicle - Jay Kahn

Jay Kahn reported that the current maintenance truck continues to break down with the costs of repairs outweighing the life of the truck. We are looking at ordering a 2024 vehicle that would come out of the budget for the 2024-25 fiscal year. This would allow us to have two vehicles for plowing, one at each school.

7.D. 2024-25 12 month Salary and Administrator Contract Recommendation - Dr. Lisa Leali

Dr. Leali reported that we not only like to hire quality staff, but to retain them as well, which is why we are recommending a 6% increase for TA's, nurses, secretaries and administrative assistants. We look at surrounding areas to make sure we are competitive in the market. We are also recommending tuition reimbursement for these positions. Details are in the board packet.

7.E. Consolidated Grant Recommendation - Tracy Roehrick

Tracy Roehrick described that the purpose of the Consolidated Grant Plan is a way to store detailed grant information such as student data and needs assessments that is used on all grants. The presentation in the board packet outlines funding information and goals in detail. The goals are aligned with both our strategic plan and state programs.

7.F. Northwestern Enrichment Follow Up - Dr. Lisa Leali

Dr. Leali gave an overview of general enrichment recommendations based on the audit. We will be providing an outline of tiered services for parents and the community. We will use a qualitative and quantitative approach. Details are outlined in the board packet presentation, including a timeline and accomplishments to date.

7.G. Board Member Agenda Item - School issued devices and screen time

The board expressed interest in learning more about school issued devices and what limitations are set when students have devices in the home. Dr. Leali suggested a presentation at our next meeting on technology safeguards we use throughout the district, including practices and procedures in the classroom. Kevin Kolcz and Jackie Tivador have been reviewing our current standards, software and security.

7.H. Board Member Agenda Item - EdRed

Laura Breakstone reported on her participation in EdRed meetings and is happy to continue to serve as a liaison.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS - Andy Duran

No public comments.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm. This motion, made by Anne Hill and seconded by Tim Penich, Passed.

Laura Breakstone: Yea, Amy Connell-Donohue: Yea, Andy Duran: Yea, Anne Hill: Yea, Lauren Hirsh: Yea, Tim Penich: Yea, Carrie Steinbach: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0